

106TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 1916

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## AN ACT

To extend certain expiring Federal Aviation Administration authorizations for a 6-month period, and for other purposes.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “FAA Authorization  
5       Extension Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM,**  
 2 **ETC.**

3 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section  
 4 48103 of title 49, United States Code, is amended by  
 5 striking “\$2,410,000,000 for the fiscal year ending Sep-  
 6 tember 30, 1999.” and inserting “\$1,237,500,000 for the  
 7 6-month period ending March 31, 2000.”.

8 (b) OBLIGATIONAL AUTHORITY.—Section 47104(c)  
 9 of such title is amended by striking “September 30,  
 10 1999,” and inserting “March 31, 2000,”.

11 **SEC. 3. EXEMPTION FOR AIRCRAFT MODIFICATION OR DIS-**  
 12 **POSAL, SCHEDULED HEAVY MAINTENANCE,**  
 13 **OR LEASING-RELATED FLIGHTS.**

14 Section 47528 of title 49, United States Code, is  
 15 amended—

16 (1) by striking “subsection (b)” in subsection  
 17 (a) and inserting “subsection (b) or (f)”;

18 (2) by adding at the end of subsection (e) the  
 19 following:

20 “(4) An air carrier operating Stage 2 aircraft  
 21 under this subsection may transport Stage 2 aircraft  
 22 to or from the 48 contiguous States on a nonrevenue  
 23 basis in order—

24 “(A) to perform maintenance (including  
 25 major alterations) or preventative maintenance

1 on aircraft operated, or to be operated, within  
2 the limitations of paragraph (2)(B); or

3 “(B) conduct operations within the limita-  
4 tions of paragraph (2)(B).”; and

5 (3) adding at the end thereof the following:

6 “(f) AIRCRAFT MODIFICATION, DISPOSAL, SCHED-  
7 ULED HEAVY MAINTENANCE, OR LEASING.—

8 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall permit  
9 a person to operate after December 31, 1999, a  
10 Stage 2 aircraft in nonrevenue service through the  
11 airspace of the United States or to or from an air-  
12 port in the contiguous 48 States in order to—

13 “(A) sell, lease, or use the aircraft outside  
14 the contiguous 48 States;

15 “(B) scrap the aircraft;

16 “(C) obtain modifications to the aircraft to  
17 meet Stage 3 noise levels;

18 “(D) perform scheduled heavy maintenance  
19 or significant modifications on the aircraft at a  
20 maintenance facility located in the contiguous  
21 48 States;

22 “(E) deliver the aircraft to an operator  
23 leasing the aircraft from the owner or return  
24 the aircraft to the lessor;

1           “(F) prepare or park or store the aircraft  
 2           in anticipation of any of the activities described  
 3           in subparagraphs (A) through (E); or

4           “(G) divert the aircraft to an alternative  
 5           airport in the contiguous 48 States on account  
 6           of weather, mechanical, fuel, air traffic control,  
 7           or other safety reasons while conducting a flight  
 8           in order to perform any of the activities de-  
 9           scribed in subparagraphs (A) through (F).

10          “(2) PROCEDURE TO BE PUBLISHED.—The  
 11          Secretary shall establish and publish, not later than  
 12          30 days after the date of enactment of the FAA Au-  
 13          thorization Extension Act, a procedure to implement  
 14          paragraph (1) of this subsection through the use of  
 15          categorical waivers, ferry permits, or other means.”.

16 **SEC. 4. NOISE STANDARDS FOR EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT.**

17          (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 47528(a) of title 49,  
 18          United States Code, is amended by inserting “(for which  
 19          an airworthiness certificate other than an experimental  
 20          certificate has been issued by the Administrator)” after  
 21          “civil subsonic turbojet”.

22          (b) FAR MODIFIED.—The Federal Aviation Regula-  
 23          tions contained in part 14 of the Code of Federal Regula-  
 24          tions that implement section 47528 and related provisions

1 shall be deemed to incorporate the change made by sub-  
 2 section (a) effective on the date of enactment of this Act.

3 **SEC. 5. EXISTING AND PENDING DETERMINATIONS NOT AF-**  
 4 **FFECTED.**

5 The amendments made by section 3 and by section  
 6 4(a), and the provisions of section 4(b), do not interfere  
 7 with or otherwise modify any determination—

8 (1) made by the Federal Aviation Administra-  
 9 tion under part 161 of title 14 of the Code of Fed-  
 10 eral Regulations before November 2, 1999; or

11 (2) pursuant to an application that was pending  
 12 before the Federal Aviation Administration for a de-  
 13 termination under that part on November 1, 1999.

14 **SEC. 6. EXTENSION OF WAR RISK INSURANCE PROGRAM.**

15 Section 44310 of title 49, United States Code, is  
 16 amended by striking “after” and all that follows and in-  
 17 serting “after March 31, 2000.”.

Passed the Senate November 10, 1999.

Attest:

*Secretary.*

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